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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of SFPP, L.P. for authority,
pursuant to Public Utilities Code
Section 455.3, to change its rates for
pipeline transportation services within
California.

Application 12-01-015
(Filed January 30, 2012)

And Related Matters.

Case 12-03-005
Case 12-03-006
Case 12-03-007
Case 12-04-004
Case 12-04-006
Case 12-04-007

ORDER EXTENDING STATUTORY DEADLINE**Summary**

This decision extends the statutory deadline in these proceedings to April 20, 2014.

Background

Pub. Util. Code § 1701.5(a) provides that ratesetting cases shall be resolved within 18 months of the date the scoping memo is issued unless the Commission makes findings why that deadline cannot be met and issues an order extending the 18-month deadline for a period not exceeding 60 days. These matters have been categorized as ratesetting and the 18-month deadline for resolving these proceedings is February 19, 2014.

These proceedings are a complex set of related cases that have been the subject of extensive appeals. Resolution of these cases has been delayed pending disposition of the related appeals. Because of these circumstances we have concluded that it is appropriate to extend the 18-month deadline to April 20, 2014.

Waiver of Comment Period

Under Rule 14.6(c)(4) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Commission may reduce or waive the period for public review and comment of proposed decisions extending the deadline for resolving ratesetting proceedings. Accordingly, the otherwise applicable period for public review and comment is being waived.

Assignment of Proceeding

Michael R. Peevey is the assigned Commissioner and Karl J. Bemederfer is the assigned Administrative Law Judge in this proceeding.

Findings of Fact

1. The revised and amended scoping memo in these proceedings was issued on August 20, 2012.
2. Based upon the statutory deadline, these proceedings must be resolved within 18 months of scoping memo issuance unless this date is extended.
3. An extension of the 18-month deadline is necessary in order to provide time to issue a formal decision of this matter, including time for the parties to decide whether to appeal such a decision within the 30-day period provided for such appeals in Rule 14.4(a) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, and time for any Commissioner to decide whether to request review of the decision within the 30-day period provided for such requests in Rule 14.4(b).

Conclusions of Law

1. The 18-month statutory deadline imposed by Pub. Util. § 1701.2(d) should be further extended until April 20, 2014.
2. This order should be effective immediately.

IT IS ORDERED that the 18-month statutory deadline in these proceedings is extended until April 20, 2014.

This order is effective today.

Dated _____, at San Francisco, California.